

## TEUTONS PLOT WITH BANDITS IN MANCHURIA FOR UPRISING

German Officers Who Escaped From Tsingtau Are Alleged To Be Baiting Outlaws Into Attacking Japanese and Russians

### CHINESE GOVERNMENT ASKED TO INTERVENE

President Yuan Has Been Petitioned To Reopen Old Parliament For Discussion Of An Action On Demands By Tokio

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)

TOKIO, March 16.—Information received from Manchuria is to the effect that the German officers who escaped from Tsingtau prior to its capture by the Japanese are now intriguing with the chiefs of a number of bands of "chunchuses," Chinese brigands, who operate in the district of northern China along the Manchurian and Siberian borders.

The Germans are bribing these bandits to attack Japanese and Russian settlements and are planning a series of raids against the Transsiberian Railroad line, upon which Russia is depending for the transportation of munitions and supplies from Japan and the United States.

#### German Bribe Bandits

The representatives of the Japanese and the Russian governments in Peking have presented a joint note to the Chinese administration, formally protesting against any further toleration of the presence of these German agents in northern China.

#### China Must Suppress Raids

They have notified the Chinese government that if the raids of the German-led bandits cannot be prevented by China, Japan and Russia will take such steps as are necessary to suppress the bands, by an invasion of Chinese territory if necessary.

### JAPANESE CRUISERS SIGHTED

(Special Cable to Chinese Liberty News.)

SHANGHAI, March 17.—Seven Japanese cruisers appeared yesterday off the coast of the province of Fu-kin, opposite the Island of Formosa.

Beyond the menace of their presence, no demonstration was made. The populace was greatly excited, but Governor Hu Si Ying scrupulously observed the courtesies of international intercourse and succeeded in averting any untoward incident.

#### Want Congress Convened

A movement is gaining headway to present a memorial to Yuan Shih-kai requesting him to reconvene the old parliament, dissolved some months ago. There is a deep seated conviction that, in such a crisis, the fate of the nation ought not to be entrusted to one man or any one group of appointed officials, but that whatever decision finally is made should be an expression of the national will, through the chosen representatives of the nation.

#### Neutrality Violated

From the same sources arise a companion movement to petition the Powers to intervene. Japan is a belligerent power, runs the argument, and China a neutral power, and the Japanese demands now under consideration constitute a violation of China's neutrality.

### 'MOVIE' AVIATOR KILLED

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.) LOS ANGELES, March 17.—In attempting a flight yesterday for a movie picture company, Frank Skiles, an amateur aviator, fell from a height of 200 feet in a machine of his own construction and was killed.

## UNITED STATES GETS NEARER INTERVENTION

President of Spanish Council of State Predicts Anarchy In Mexico Is Crisis

### SNIPERS ARE REPORTED ACTIVE IN VERA CRUZ

Secretary Bryan Requests Carranza To Give Foreigners Safe Conduct From City

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)

PARIS, March 17.—A Madrid dispatch, received here last night, quotes the president of the council of state, the Duke of Manetas, as saying that the state of anarchy that now prevails throughout the Republic of Mexico makes American intervention for the restoration of settled conditions "almost inevitable."

### SNIPING AT VERA CRUZ

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)

WASHINGTON, March 17.—Press reports from Galveston quote passengers on an arriving steamer from the coast to the effect that snipers at Vera Cruz opened fire March 16 on the tender of the U. S. S. Delaware, failing, fortunately, to make any hits.

Assistant Secretary of the Navy Roosevelt stated last night that there have been no reports made officially of any such incident and the navy department has no knowledge that there has been sniping on the part of the Carranzistas against Americans.

#### Anarchy Still Reigns

Reports, official and unofficial, of anarchical conditions in Mexico continue to be received, and the state department has forwarded new protests and further notes to Carranza and to the American representatives in Mexico. The "deplorable" conditions that prevail in the Mexican capital have been officially brought to the attention of the state department by Minister Ekenren, the Swedish representative, based on reports received by him from the Swedish charge d'affaires in the City of Mexico. These reports tell of Swedish subjects being assaulted and robbed and their houses plundered.

The Spanish ambassador has also reported further instances of the inability of General Salazar, commanding the Zapatistas in the City of Mexico, to enforce order there.

#### Safe Conduct Requested

Secretary Bryan has forwarded a request to Carranza that he provide safe conduct for foreigners desiring to leave the Mexican capital by way of Vera Cruz. The American consul at Manzanillo has been instructed to confer with the commander of the U. S. S. Cleveland, Captain George W. Williams, whose vessel has been sent to Manzanillo for the protection of foreigners, while Carranza has also been appealed to for instructions to his troops there not to molest the foreign residents.

The Villanista agency here reports that General Almanza, a Carranza follower, and his entire staff have been executed at Toluca, following conviction at court martial.

#### Situation Is 'Favorable'

President Wilson was reported yesterday as regarding the Mexican situation as having taken a favorable turn, with prospects for a peaceful solution.

The battleship Connecticut broke a shaft while steaming toward Guantanamo Bay and is now returning to Philadelphia on her own power, conveyed by the fuel ship Orion.

A report yesterday from Vera Cruz, supposed to have originated at Carranza's headquarters, declares that the United States has no right to institute inquiries concerning the shooting of J. B. McManus, in the City of Mexico, during the evacuation of that city by the troops of General Obregon, inasmuch as McManus was a naturalized Mexican citizen and not an American.

#### Villa Yields to Protest

Border reports from the press bureaus of the rival factions at El Paso and San Antonio, Texas, assert that General Villa, yielding to the protests of the British consular agents, has annulled the war tax of \$3,000,000 which he threatened to impose on foreigners resident in the city of Guadalajara, and that General Carranza has restored to the Catholic congregation of Nuevo Laredo the church which he seized. It is his intention to restore other confiscated churches soon.

R. E. Heilbrunn was a passenger in the steamer Kibuna. He has been on an official tour of the Island of Hawaii.

## ALLIES WILL PAY FOR WAR SUPPLIES

J. Pierpont Morgan Will Arrange In London For Deposits of Credit Balances

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)

NEW YORK, March 17.—J. Pierpont Morgan will sail for England today, with the purpose, it is understood, of arranging for the deposit of credit balances here by the belligerents from which to pay for the heavy purchases of rifles, artillery, cartridges, shells, horses and mules that they have been making and are continuing to make.

Since early in September Kansas stockmen alone have supplied the Allies with 60,000 horses and mules valued at \$12,000,000, and there are still French and Belgian contracts for 40,000 more.

Such drafts on the available supply have resulted in a depletion of the best stock and military purchasing agents and veterinarians have been compelled to lower their standards. They are now buying unbroken horses, fresh from the western ranges.

Considerable purchases by the United States army have also been noted.

## NEW WARSHIP IS LAUNCHED IN EAST

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)

NEWPORT NEWS, Virginia, March 16.—The new superdreadnought Pennsylvania, latest of the American sea-fighters, was launched today with the prayer that she may be a messenger not of war but of peace.

Miss Elizabeth Kolb of Germantown christened the big warship as she glided down the ways.

Commander Thierchens of the German navy, in full uniform, and with the American naval officers, cheered the ship.

Secretary of the Navy Danie's in a speech that was a feature of the launching program, said:

"There has never before been a time when the navy is so powerful, so ready and so efficient as it is today. The motto of the navy is, 'Training, training, more training—practice, practice, more practice.' No nation has placed such substantial faith in the deadly power of undersea craft as ours has."

"There has never been a time, moreover, when it is so important as now to set the world an example of peace."

## TRADE BALANCE LARGE IN FAVOR OF AMERICA

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)

WASHINGTON, March 17.—The summary of the foreign trade of the United States, issued yesterday by the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce, show that the exports exceeded the imports in thirteen of the principal customs districts for the week ending March 13 by \$47,229,858. This is the largest trade balance in favor of the United States that has ever been produced in any one week in the history of the country.

## GREECE WAS ASKED TO ASSIST SERBIA

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)

GENEVA, March 17.—Former premier Venizelos of Greece says a Rome dispatch to the Reuter Telegram Company of London, has declared since his resignation that the Allies twice asked Greece to send troops to the aid of Serbia.

Greece was willing, but the attitude of Bulgaria, which, though declared to be neutral, seems to incline toward the German cause, made it impossible.

The slender threat on which now hangs the issue of peace on the Balkan peninsula is shown in that the Italian Adriatic fleet has concentrated at Taranto, ready for active service.

Two Vienna newspaper correspondents have been expelled from Rome.

### PEACE CONGRESS FOR FAIR

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)

WASHINGTON, March 17.—The Fifth American Peace Congress will be held in San Francisco in September, according to an announcement made from the headquarters of the American Peace League here yesterday.

### PILES CURED IN 6 TO 14 DAYS.

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## Text Of Anglo-French Note

THE text of the Anglo-French note to the United States, notifying this government of the intention to prevent the carrying on of all German trade, received by Secretary Bryan on March 1, is:

Germany has declared that the English Channel, the north and west coasts of France and the waters round the British Isles are a war area and has ordered that all enemy ships found in that area will be destroyed and that neutral vessels may be exposed to danger.

This is in effect a claim to torpedo at sight, without regard to the safety of the crew or passengers, any merchant vessel under any flag. As it is not in the power of the German Admiralty to maintain any surface craft in those waters, this attack can only be delivered by submarine agency.

The law and customs of nations in regard to attacks on commerce have always presumed that the first duty of the captor of a merchant vessel is to bring it before a prize court where it may be tried, where the regularity of the capture may be challenged and where neutrals may recover their cargoes.

The making of prizes is in itself a questionable act to be resorted to only in extraordinary circumstances and after provision has been made for the safety of all the crew or passengers. If there are passengers on board the responsibility for discriminating between neutral and enemy vessel and between neutral and enemy cargo obviously rests with the attacking ship, whose duty it is to verify the status and character of the vessel and cargo and to preserve all papers before sinking or even capturing it.

So also is the humane duty of providing for the safety of the crews of captured vessels, whether neutral or enemy, an obligation upon every belligerent.

It is upon this basis that all previous discussions of the law for regulating warfare at sea proceeded. A German submarine, however, fulfils none of these obligations; she does not take her captives within the jurisdiction of a prize court; she carries no prize crew which she can put on board a prize; she uses no effective means of discriminating between a neutral and enemy ship; she does not receive on board for safety the crew and passengers of the vessel she sinks; her methods of warfare are therefore entirely outside the scope of any of the international instruments regulating operations against commerce in time of war.

The German declaration substitutes indiscriminate destruction for regulated capture. Germany is adopting these methods against peaceful traders and non-combatant crews with the avowed object of preventing commerce of all kinds, including food for the civil population, from reaching or leaving the British Isles or northern France.

Her opponents are therefore driven to frame retaliatory measures in order to their turn to prevent commodities of any kind from reaching or leaving Germany.

These measures will, however, be enforced by the British and French Governments without risk to neutral ships or to neutral or non-combatant life and in strict observance of the dictates of humanity.

The British and French Governments will therefore hold themselves free to detain and take into port ships carrying goods of presumed enemy destination or origin. It is not intended to confiscate such vessels or cargoes unless they would otherwise be liable to condemnation. The treatment of vessels and cargoes which have sailed before this date will not be affected.

## JURY IS SECURED IN PASSPORT CASE

Madden, Cook and Stegler Are On Trial Charged With Conspiracy Against Government

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)

NEW YORK, March 17.—The trial of Richard Madden, Gustav Cook and Richard P. Stegler, on a charge of conspiracy against the government in the procuring of a fraudulent passport, was begun yesterday, the day being taken up in the securing of a jury. Inasmuch as the case arises out of the hostilities in Europe, the jurors were all examined as to their neutrality and as to their opinions regarding the war. As completed the jury contains all but two American-born citizens.

#### Stegler May Escape

The three entered their pleas on March 2, and have been since, in default of \$15,000 bail each, held in the Tombs for trial. It was intimated yesterday that Stegler will be used as a prosecution witness and that the indictment against him will not be pressed.

Stegler is a German reservist, who has stated that he secured a passport from the state department under a false name, with the assistance of and under the directions of Captain Boy-Ed, naval attaché at the German embassy at Washington. According to his statement, he had arranged to go as a spy to England.

In his statement he said that Hans Lody, the German spy who was shot in the Tower at London, secured his false passport also through Captain Boy-Ed.

#### Madden Tells Birthright

Richard Madden, in whose name the passport was obtained, and who is accused of having sold his birth certificate to enable Stegler to base a claim of American birth, is a Hopkoken laborer. This birth certificate, the prosecution claims, was turned over to Gustav Cook, a waiter, who is alleged to have been the go-between for the representative of the alleged German secret service agency in America, presided over by Captain Boy-Ed.

## CHINESE DELEGATION TO PASS THROUGH HONOLULU

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)

SEATTLE, March 17.—Twenty Chinese government officials, bankers, and prominent merchants will make a seventy-day tour of the United States, having been reported here during January and February, those being four hundred and seventy. During all of 1914 the cases of this disease recorded here totaled 1178.

## SMALLPOX ON INCREASE IN CAPITAL OF RUSSIA

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)

PETROGRAD, March 17.—Double the number of cases of smallpox reported on the average during last year have been reported here during January and February, those being four hundred and seventy. During all of 1914 the cases of this disease recorded here totaled 1178.

## TOLL OF TEMBLORS IN ITALY TERRIBLE

30,000 Persons Were Killed While Unknown Thousands Died From Indirect Causes

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)

ROME, March 17.—An official report on the extent of the great earthquake which rocked Central Italy on January 13 has been made public.

This report says that the number of persons killed directly by the earthquake is 20,978, which number does not include the thousands who died of injuries received in the earthquake, or of disease traceable to the exposure, lack of food or contaminated water supply resultant from the seismic disorder.

Altogether three hundred and seventy-two communities were shaken sufficiently for buildings to be damaged.

## SHIPS OF ALLIED FLEET ARE REPORTED DAMAGED

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)

BERLIN, March 17.—Dispatches from the German embassy at Constantinople and from unofficial sources in Athens relate that newly mounted guns from the Krupp works have badly damaged several vessels of the allied fleet that is trying to force a passage of the Dardanelles to Constantinople.

One warship, says Athens, was hit twenty-seven times, and two British vessels were so badly crippled that they had to be sent to the British base at Malta for repairs.

The British light cruiser Amethyst, says Constantinople, lost twenty-eight men and was seriously damaged. It is denied that Burhan Eddin, the favorite son of the deposed Sultan, Abdul Hamid, has been assassinated by political enemies. It was reported that he had been found strangled in his bed chamber.

## EXPRESS COMPANIES ASK A REHEARING ON RATES

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)

WASHINGTON, March 16.—The American Express Company, Adams Express, Southern and Wells-Fargo Express today asked leave of the interstate commerce commission to file a petition for a rehearing on the matter of rates. They describe the present low rates as "disastrous," declaring that the first ten months under the reduced schedules show a deficit of \$3,000,000 for the companies.

#### A PARENT'S DUTY

Your boy is always getting scratched or cut or bruised. Because these wounds have healed all right in his skin, they will not. Get a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm and see that every injury is cared for immediately. You can get nothing better, and blood poisoning is a dangerous disease to risk. For sale by all dealers. Bewan, Smith & Co., Ltd., agents for Hawaii.

## RUSSIANS AGAIN INVADE BUKOWINA

Austro-Germans Are Falling Back Towards Passes Leading Into State of Hungary

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)

LONDON, March 17.—The tide in the fighting on the Russian extreme left in eastern Galicia has turned definitely, according to a dispatch received by the Exchange Telegraph Company, which reports the Russians advancing steadily on their third invasion of Bukovina. The northwestern sections of this crown province are again under Russian control, with the Austro-Germans falling back towards the passes leading into Hungary.

#### Weather Hampers Armies

Weather conditions are hampering both the Russians in their advance and the Austro-Germans in their retreat.

A Reuter dispatch from Petrograd says that during the month of February a total of 48,000 Austrian and German prisoners passed through Kiev, on their way to the detention camps in Eastern Russia and Siberia.

#### Russian Offensive Checked

According to Berlin advices, the offensive of the Russians before Przemyśl has been checked and the Russian advance halted, with a loss in prisoners of two thousand men and officers.

In the Carpathians, on Sunday, reports a Vienna official dispatch, two Russian battalions were almost annihilated, while eleven officers, 650 men and three machine guns were captured by the Austrians.

## BRITISH BLOCKADE AROUSES WILSON

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)

WASHINGTON, March 17.—Holland is seeking to join the United States in what the administration intends to be the most emphatic protest it has yet sent to any of the warring Powers against the stringent blockade pronounced yesterday by the Allies against all commerce to and from Germany.

Both nations regard the blockade as a serious menace to the trade rights of neutral nations. The minister from The Netherlands opened informal negotiations with the state department yesterday looking to a common understanding.

In the absence of the official text of the British proclamation, in which France concurs, President Wilson declined to discuss the situation in detail, but he has let it be known that reports of Great Britain's attitude as informally received are displeasing to this government.

Some positive definition of the treatment that will be given neutral commerce is desired.

## FREEDOM OF THAW HANGS IN BALANCE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)

NEW YORK, March 16.—Following the acquittal of Harry K. Thaw on the charge of conspiracy to escape from Matteawan, the court ruled today that Thaw return to the Matteawan asylum "unless legal papers calling for his detention in New York county shall be served on the warden of the Tombs." Thaw today secured a writ of habeas corpus, returnable on Friday, when a hearing will be held as to his freedom.

## WARLIKE AMERICANS SHOULD ENTER ARMY

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)

CHICAGO, March 17.—"Persons who think the United States will be compelled to enter the world war," said Vice-President Marshall here today "ought to be compelled to enlist in the army before approving their doubtful predictions." The Vice-President is on his way to the San Francisco world's fair.

### DUTCH FETE CANCELLED

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)

THE HAGUE, March 17.—In view of the pail of war that overshadows all Europe, the centenary of the establishment of the Kingdom of The Netherlands, which fell yesterday, remained uncelebrated. No flags and no hunting were allowed.

## DRESDEN SUNK BY OWN CREW WHEN BRITISH INVADED PORT

Officers of German Cruiser Claim They Were Surprised At Anchor In Neutral Harbor By Enemy While They Were Coaling

### CHILEANS ARE REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN SLAIN

Government At Valparaiso Is Said To Have Sent Warships To Juan Fernandez Island To Investigate and Render Report

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)

VALPARAISO, March 17.—German officers from the cruiser Dresden, sunk in battle Monday, bring a totally different version of the engagement from that given out by the British admiralty.

According to the German account, the Dresden was surprised at anchor, in a harbor of Juan Fernandez island, where she had taken refuge short of coal and for repairs to her engines.

Disregarding entirely the fact that the Dresden was within the protection of Chilean territorial waters, the British squadron is declared to have opened fire. Neutrality Violated, Is Claim.

After five minutes of unequal fighting, the German commander hoisted the white flag and protested against the violation of a neutral sanctuary.

For answer he was told he could fight or surrender. Instead he sent his crew ashore and blew up his ship. In the five minutes the action lasted nineteen men were killed.

#### Women and Children Killed

Several British shells, the German officers say, flew wide and damaged other vessels belonging to neutral powers, as well as killing several Chilean women and children ashore.

The Chilean government has sent a cruiser to Juan Fernandez island to make an investigation, and report.

### CRUISER STEALS AWAY

LONDON, March 17.—Letters from Las Palmas in the Canary Islands relate that the German auxiliary cruiser Macedonia, which interned here for the duration of the war, stole out to sea one night and has disappeared.

Inasmuch as essential portions of her machinery had been removed and taken ashore, it is supposed her engine-room staff must have succeeded in secretly duplicating them.

The Macedonia carried a cargo of munitions of war for other German raiders at sea.

## GERMANS SHIP GRAIN BOUGHT IN BELGIUM

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)

LONDON, March 17.—Reports that have reached here by way of Holland say that virtually all the grain which had been stored in Antwerp and which was seized by the Germans when they occupied that city has been shipped into Germany. This grain, valued at \$6,000,000, has been paid for by the German government in currency, which the Belgian banks have been forced to issue, which is not accepted outside of Belgium.

### SEATTLE STRIKE EFFECTIVE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)

SEATTLE, March 17.—The longshoremen's strike has succeeded in practically tying up the business of the waterfront here. Yesterday the Admiral line was the only one moving cargoes at all expeditiously.